

**THE STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR THE HEALING ARTS**  
State of Missouri

STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION	)	
FOR THE HEALING ARTS.	)	
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Petitioner,	)	
vs.	)	Case No. 2003-000921
	)	
JAMES MERITT, D.O.,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND  
ORDER REVOKING THE LICENSE OF JAMES MERITT, D.O.**

The Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts, pursuant to notice and at its regularly scheduled meeting on July 13, 2007, held a disciplinary hearing regarding the license of James Meritt, D.O., pursuant to the provisions of § 334.100.4, RSMo.

The Board was represented by William Roberts, Assistant Attorney General. Dr. Meritt appeared neither personally nor by counsel. The Board's General Counsel, Sreenu Dandamudi, served as the Board's legal advisor at the hearing, during deliberations, and in preparing this Order. Testimony was adduced, exhibits were received into evidence, and the argument of counsel was heard. The Board now enters its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order Revoking the Physician and Surgeon's License of James Meritt, D.O.

### **Findings of Fact**

1. The State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts (Board) is an agency of the State of Missouri, created and established pursuant to § 334.120 RSMo., for the purpose of executing and enforcing the provisions of Chapter 334, RSMo.

2. James Meritt, D.O., (Meritt) was licensed as a physician and surgeon, number 111123. This license was originally issued on August 7, 1997. This license expired on January 31, 2006, and has not been renewed.

3. On October 23, 2006, the Administrative Hearing Commission held a hearing to determine whether cause exists to discipline Meritt's license.

4. On April 9, 2007, the Administrative Hearing Commission issued its Decision whereby it found cause to discipline Meritt's license pursuant to §334.100.2(13), RSMo.

### **Conclusions of Law**

A. Meritt's license as a physician and surgeon is subject to discipline pursuant to §334.100.2(13), RSMo.

B. Pursuant to the provisions of §334.100.4, RSMo, the Board has decided to revoke Meritt's license.

### **Disciplinary Order**

Upon the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, it is the decision and order of the State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts that the physician's license of James Meritt, D.O., be and is hereby REVOKED.

Dr. Meritt shall immediately cease the practice of the healing arts, and shall within ten days of the date of this order return all indicia of licensure to the Board.

Dr. Meritt is cautioned that his obedience to the terms of this order and his discharge of his professional obligation to transfer his patients' care and records to other physicians will be assessed by the Board upon any application for reinstatement.

So ordered this 25 day of July, 2007.

**State Board of Registration for the  
Healing Arts**

  
Tina Steinman  
Executive Director